

Gregory House
31 Erie Street
Jersey City, Hudson County, New Jersey

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Owner: Margaret G. Smith, 94 Bentley Ave., Jersey City

Date of Erection: About 1850

Architect:

Builder: Probably Benjamin P. Gregory

Present Condition: Fair

Number of Stories: Two

Materials of Construction: Foundation - brick

Exterior walls - front brick,
rear brick veneer stuccoed

Interior walls - plaster

Inside brick chimneys

Roof - pitch

Historical Data:

This is one of a row of houses apparently erected at the same time. In 1846 James G. Gregory transferred the title to Benjamin P. Gregory. In a description the property is mentioned as being part of a block of land purchased by James Gregory from Peter Lorillard, Jr. The house was apparently built by Benjamin P. Gregory shortly after the land was purchased. In 1871 the surviving executor of Benjamin Gregory's estate transferred the property to Clara Dayton who was a daughter of Benjamin Gregory. In

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1875 Anna Gregory who was the widow of Benjamin gave title to Bridget Smith, wife of John Smith and mother of the present owner. This property is described as being the premises conveyed to Clara Dayton.

Very little has been done to change the appearance of the house. Originally there was a porch along the front of the whole row. This has been torn away and each house now has its separate entrance. A bath room has been added to the rear so that the interior has not been disturbed.

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